

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method of playing a card game among a plurality of Players and a Banker, each Player wagering against the Banker, comprising the steps of:
 - (a) providing and shuffling at least one standard poker deck of 52 cards plus at least one Joker or at least one standard poker deck of 52 cards wherein either all Twos, all Threes, all Fours, all Fives, all Sixes, all Sevens, all Eights, all Nines, all Tens, all Jacks, all Queens, all Kings, or all Aces are Wild Card, wherein each Joker or each Wild Card may be used as any card;
 - (b) each Player placing a Primary Bet wager;
 - (c) each Player placing an optional Bonus Bet wager;
 - (d) dealing cards, seven cards dealt either at one time or proportionally, into enough dealt hands of seven cards to provide a dealt hand for each Player and for the Banker;
 - (e) determining which dealt hand is assigned to each Player and which dealt hand is assigned to the Banker;
 - (f) from their own seven-card dealt hand, each Player selecting and keeping their best 5-card poker hand and discarding two other cards;
 - (g) determining whether each Player's Primary Bet wager wins or loses;
 - (h) settling each Player's Primary Bet wager against the Banker;
 - (i) determining whether each Player's Bonus Bet wager wins or loses, if any; and
 - (j) settling each Player's Bonus Bet wager against the Banker.
2. The method of playing a card game according to claim 1, wherein a Player's Primary Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is Aces Two Pair, 3 of a Kind, Straight, Flush, Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Primary Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not

one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Primary Bet wager is paid according to a predetermined pay table.

3. The method of playing a card game according to claim 1, wherein a Player's Primary Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is 3 of a Kind, Straight, Flush, Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Primary Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Primary Bet wager is paid according to a predetermined pay table.

4. The method of playing a card game according to claim 1, wherein a Player's Primary Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is Straight, Flush, Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Primary Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Primary Bet wager is paid according to a predetermined pay table.

5. The method of playing a card game according to claim 1, wherein a Player's Bonus Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is Flush, Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Bonus Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Bonus Bet wager is paid according to a predetermined pay table.

6. The method of playing a card game according to claim 1, wherein a Player's Bonus Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Bonus Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Bonus Bet wager is paid according to a predetermined pay table.

7. The method of playing a card game according to claim 1, wherein a Player's Bonus Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Bonus Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Bonus Bet wager is paid according to a predetermined pay table.

8. A method of playing a card game among a plurality of Players and a Banker, each Player wagering against the Banker, comprising the steps of:

- (a) providing and shuffling one standard poker deck of 52 cards plus four Jokers, wherein each Joker may be used as any card;
- (b) each Player placing a Primary Bet wager;
- (c) each Player placing an optional Bonus Bet wager;
- (d) dealing cards, seven cards dealt either at one time or proportionally, into enough dealt hands of seven cards to provide a dealt hand for each Player and for the Banker;
- (e) determining which dealt hand is assigned to each Player and which dealt hand is assigned to the Banker;
- (f) from their own seven-card dealt hand, each Player selecting and keeping their best 5-card poker hand and discarding two other cards;
- (g) determining whether each Player's Primary Bet wager wins or loses;
- (h) settling each Player's Primary Bet wager against the Banker;
- (i) determining whether each Player's Bonus Bet wager wins or loses, if any; and
- (j) settling each Player's Bonus Bet wager against the Banker.

9. The method of playing a card game according to claim 8, wherein a Player's Primary Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is Aces Two Pair, 3 of a Kind, Straight, Flush, Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Primary Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Primary Bet pays Even Money, namely 1 to

1, on a hand of Aces Two Pair, 3 of a Kind, Straight, Flush, Full House or 4 of a Kind, and pays 2 to 1 on a hand of Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush.

10. The method of playing a card game according to claim 8, wherein a Player's Primary Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is 3 of a Kind, Straight, Flush, Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Primary Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Primary Bet pays Even Money, namely 1 to 1, on a hand of 3 of a Kind, Straight, Flush or Full House, and pays 2 to 1 on a hand of 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush.

11. The method of playing a card game according to claim 8, wherein a Player's Primary Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is Straight, Flush, Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Primary Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Primary Bet pays 2 to 1 on a hand of Straight, Flush or Full House, pays 5 to 2 on a hand of 4 of a Kind, and pays 3 to 1 on a hand of Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush.

12. The method of playing a card game according to claim 8, wherein a Player's Bonus Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is Flush, Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind, Wild Royal Flush or Natural Royal Flush, and the Player's Bonus Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Bonus Bet wager is paid as follows:

<u>Hand</u>	<u>Payout Odds</u>
Natural Royal Flush -----	200 to 1
Wild Royal Flush -----	50 to 1
5 of a Kind -----	30 to 1
Straight Flush -----	10 to 1

4 of a Kind -----	4 to 1
Full House -----	3 to 1
Flush -----	1 to 1

13. The method of playing a card game according to claim 8, wherein a Player's Bonus Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind, Wild Royal Flush or Natural Royal Flush, and the Player's Bonus Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Bonus Bet wager is paid as follows:

<u>Hand</u>	<u>Payout Odds</u>
Natural Royal Flush -----	200 to 1
Wild Royal Flush -----	50 to 1
5 of a Kind -----	40 to 1
Straight Flush -----	15 to 1
4 of a Kind-----	4 to 1
Full House -----	3 to 1

14. The method of playing a card game according to claim 8, wherein a Player's Bonus Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind, Wild Royal Flush or Natural Royal Flush, and the Player's Bonus Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Bonus Bet wager is paid as follows:

<u>Hand</u>	<u>Payoff Odds</u>
Natural Royal Flush -----	200 to 1
Wild Royal Flush -----	70 to 1
5 of a Kind -----	50 to 1
Straight Flush -----	20 to 1
4 of a Kind -----	8 to 1

15. A method of playing a card game among a plurality of Players and a Banker, each Player wagering against the Banker, comprising the steps of:

- (a) providing and shuffling at least one standard poker deck of 52 cards plus at least one Joker or at least one standard poker deck of 52 cards wherein either all Twos, all Threes, all Fours, all Fives, all Sixes, all Sevens, all Eights, all Nines, all Tens, all Jacks, all Queens, all Kings, or all Aces are Wild Cards, wherein each Joker or each Wild Card may be used as any card;
- (b) each Player placing a Bonus Bet wager;
- (c) dealing cards, seven cards dealt either at one time or proportionally, into enough dealt hands of seven cards to provide a dealt hand for each Player and for the Banker;
- (d) determining which dealt hand is assigned to each Player and which dealt hand is assigned to the Banker;
- (e) from their own seven-card dealt hand, each Player selecting and keeping their best 5-card poker hand and discarding two other cards;
- (f) determining whether each Player's Bonus Bet wager wins or loses; and
- (g) settling each Player's Bonus Bet wager against the Banker.

16. The method of playing a card game according to claim 15, wherein a Player's Bonus Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is Flush, Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Bonus Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Bonus Bet wager is paid according to a predetermined pay table.

17. The method of playing a card game according to claim 15, wherein a Player's Bonus Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is Full House, 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Bonus Bet wager loses if the

Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Bonus Bet wager is paid according to a predetermined pay table.

18. The method of playing a card game according to claim 15, wherein a Player's Bonus Bet wager wins if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is 4 of a Kind, Straight Flush, 5 of a Kind or Royal Flush, and the Player's Bonus Bet wager loses if the Player's best 5-card poker hand is not one of said winning hands; and wherein the Player's winning Bonus Bet wager is paid according to a predetermined pay table.